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Shooting Stars Fall Over Sully on Saturday, August 11

Witness one of the most intriguing celestial occurrences of the night sky at Sully Woodlands on Saturday, August 11, 2007. From 8 to 9 p.m. the Fairfax Count Park Authority invites families to watch the Perseid meteor shower and partake in a memorable cosmic event!

The Perseid meteor shower occurs annually in early August and produces one of the strongest showers visible from Earth. Meteor showers are named by the constellation from which meteors appear to fall, a spot in the sky astronomers call the radiant. The Perseid meteor shower is so named because meteors appear to fall from a point in the constellation Perseus.

Join others in watching the meteor shower and exploring the astronomy behind planets, moons, constellations and, of course, meteor showers. With bug spray, lawn chairs and blankets in hand, families will enjoy learning about the open sky above them.

Reservations are required along with a \$4 per child and \$2 per adult participation fee. The program will be canceled in the event of rain or a cloudy evening. Participants should meet at the Cub Run RECenter front desk. Participants will then carpool to the program location. The RECenter is located at 4630 Stonecroft Boulevard in Chantilly. Please call 703-324-8523 or visit http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/sully for more information.

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